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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated July 7, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

A complete listing of claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.